



McGILL, John Yancey [D]—(Dist. No. 32, Berkeley-Florence-Georgetown-Horry-Williamsburg Cos.)—Real Estate Broker/Residential Homebuilder; *b.* Sept. 18, 1952 in Kingstree; *s.* the late Frank H. and Peggy (Tomlinson) McGill; attended The Citadel and Francis Marion Coll.; May 18, 1974 *m.* Pamela Jean Fennell, 3 children, Lisa, John, and Maggie; past Chm., Deacon at

Kingstree First Baptist Church; past Pres.: Kingstree Jaycees and Chamber of Commerce; Town Council, 1976–79; Mayor *Pro Tempore*, 1978–79; Mayor of Kingstree, 1984–88; Bd. of Dirs., Waccamaw Regional Planning & Dev. Council; past Chm., Waccamaw Industrial Revolving Loan Comm.; past mem., State Dem. Party Exec. Com.; Chm., Waccamaw Regional Planning Dev. Council; *Outstanding Young Men of America*; Select Com. of the Educ. Improvement Act; Amer. Legis. Exchange Council; Bd. of Visitors, Med. Univ. of S.C., 1990–91; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Assn. of Cos., 1993; Hon. Doctorate Degree, The Citadel, 1994; Hon. Doctorate Degree, Francis Marion Univ., 2001; Hon. Doctorate Degree, MUSC, 2004; Hon. Ph.D., Coastal Carolina Univ., 2008; Hon. Ph.D., Clemson Univ., 2011; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Assn. of Regional Councils, 1997; Primary Health Care Assn. Legis. Award, 1998; Senator of the Year, Amer. Legion, 1999; S.C. Counseling Assn. Legis. Award, 1999; Sen. Legislator of the Year by Assn. of Conservation Dists., 2002; Legislator of the Year by the S.C. Cable Television Assn., 2002; S.C. Assn. of Cos. Distinguished Serv. Award, 2008; mem., Sen. Fin. Exec. Com.; Chm., Fin. Subcom. on Natural Resources; Chm., NESA (North East Strategic Alliance); William Henry Chandler Lifetime Achievement Award, Williamsburg Hometown Chamber, 2009; Clemson PSA Serv. Award, 2010; S.C. Advocate for Agric. Award, 2010; 2012 Defender of Mfg. Award by S.C. Mfg. Assn.; prev. serv. in Sen. 1989–12.

NICHOLSON, Floyd “Coach Nick”

[D]—(Dist. No. 10, Abbeville-Greenwood-McCormick-Saluda Cos.)—Retired Educator; residing at 527 Bryte St., Greenwood; *b.* July 26, 1949 in Greenwood; *s.* Marion N. and Nona Nicholson; *g.* S.C. State Univ., B.S., 1972; 1977 *m.* Mamie W., 3 children, Douglas Anthony, Cedric Antonio, and Floyd Michael; Greenwood City Council, 1982–93; Chm., Upper Savannah Council of Govts., 1990–92; Mayor, City of Greenwood, 1994–08; Hon. Doctor of Humanities, Lander Univ., 1997; Pres., S.C. Municipal Assn., 2001; mem., Jim Rex Supt. of Educ. Transition Team, 2006; prev. serv. in Sen. 2009–12.



O'DELL, William Hamilton “Billy”

[R]—(Dist. No. 4, Abbeville-Anderson-Greenwood Cos.)—CEO, O'Dell Corp., Inc.; residing at 144 Devon Park, Greenwood; *b.* Oct. 11, 1938 in Ware Shoals; *s.* William B. and Sara Francis O'Dell; *g.* The Citadel, B.A., 1960; *m.* Aedra Gayle Tisdale, 2 children, William B. and Patricia Michelle; The Citadel Bd. of Visitors, 1981–89; The Citadel Bd. of Visitors, 1990–91; recipient of Palmetto Award, The Citadel, 1994; Hon. Doctor of Bus., The Citadel, 1997; Hon. Doctors of Laws, Lander Univ., 2009; J. Verne Smith Humanitarian Award, 1998; Guardian of Small Bus., NFIB/SC, 1998; Legis. Award, S.C. Counseling Assn., 1999; Recognition of Serv., City of Anderson, 1999; Alumni Achievement Award, Camden Mil. Academy, 2000; Legislator of the Year, Dept. of Disabilities and Special Needs, 2001; Recognition of Serv., City of Belton, 2001; Resolution of Appreciation, Belton-Honea Path Water Authority, 2002; Resolution of Appreciation, Co. of Greenwood, 2004; Legis. Appreciation Award by S.C. Assn. of Conservation Dists., 2006; Champion for Access to Healthcare, S.C. Primary Healthcare Assn., 2007; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Dental Assn., 2007; Small Bus. Legislator of the Year, 2007; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Emergency Med. Serv. Assn., 2006–07; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Econ. Developers' Assn., 2007; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Assn. of



Regional Councils, 2008; Hon. Doctorate Degree from the Med. Univ. of S.C., 2008; Public Servant of the Year, S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 2008; The S.C. Primary Health Care Champion Award, 2009; Outstanding Leader in the Dev. and Advancement of the Knowledge Economy, 2010; 2011 awards: Hammer and Trowel Award, S.C. Home Builders Assn.; Legislator of the Year Award, S.C. Emergency Med. Servs. Assn.; Legislator of the Year Award, Old 96 Dist. Tourism Comm.; Legislator of the Year Award, S.C. Staffing Assn.; "Legislator of the Year" by the S.C. Econ. Developers' Assn., 2012; Deacon, Mt. Gallagher Baptist Church, 1977–81; mil. serv.: SCNG, 1956–58; prev. serv. in Sen. 1989–12.



PEELER, Harvey Smith, Jr. [R]—(Dist. No. 14, *Cherokee-Spartanburg-Union-York Cos.*)—Dairyman/Businessman; residing at 3033 Old Georgia Hwy., Gaffney; *b.* Sept. 8, 1948 in Gaffney; *s.* the late H. Smith, Sr. and Sally (Bratton) Peeler; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.S., 1970; Aug. 8, 1969 *m.* Ila LaDonna Caudill, 3 children, Brantlee Rene, Harvey Smith III, and Boone

Solomon; mem.: Gaffney First Baptist Church; Mason; Shriner; Amer. Jersey Cattle Assn.; Amer. Legion; Cherokee Co. Council, 1977–80; Sen. Majority Leader, 2005–; mil. serv.: Lt., USA, 1970–72; prev. serv. in Sen. 1981–12.



PINCKNEY, Clementa Carlos [D]—(Dist. No. 45, *Allendale-Beaufort-Charleston-Colleton-Hampton-Jasper Cos.*)—Pastor, Mother Emanuel AME Church, Charleston; residing in Ridgeland; *b.* July 30, 1973 in Beaufort; *s.* John and the late Theopia (Stevenson) Pinckney; *g.* Allen Univ., B.A., 1995; Princeton Univ. Research Fellow, Summer, 1994; Univ. of S.C., Master of Public

Admin., 1999; Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, 2008; Oct. 23, 1999 *m.* Jennifer Benjamin, 2 children, Eliana Yvette and Malana Elise; Bd. of Dirs., Southern Mutual Ins. Co.; House of Reps. 1997–00; prev. serv. in Sen. 2001–12.

RANKIN, Luke A. [R]—(Dist. No. 33, *Horry Co.*)—Atty.; residing at 3745 Waterford Dr., Myrtle Beach; *b.* Apr. 9, 1962 in Horry Co.; *s.* O. A. and Dorothy S. Rankin; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1984, J.D., 1987; 2 children, Luke, Jr. and Hollings; May 28, 2011 *m.* Lindsey Bonds; prev. serv. in Sen. 1993–12.



REESE, Glenn G. [D]—(Dist. No. 11, *Spartanburg Co.*)—Businessman, owner of Krispy Kreme Doughnut Co., Spartanburg, S.C.; residing at 507 Fagan Dr., Lake Bowen, Inman 29349; *b.* Jan. 6, 1942 in Greenville; *s.* Wilford William and Geneva Margaret Reese; *g.* Chapman High School, 1959; Mars Hill Coll., A.A., 1961; Auburn Univ., B.A., 1963; Converse Coll., M.A., 1967; worked through coll. as a barber at the Tiger Barber Shop and as a lifeguard & water safety instructor at Silver Lake and Rainbow Lake; June 19, 1970 *m.* Janis Elizabeth Dearybury, 4 children, Glenn, Jr., John David, Kathryn, and Michael; Intl. Sports Official, 1977–99; Sports Comr., 1977–00; Sports Official, 1963–01; Public School Teacher, 1963–85; High School Sports Official in football, basketball & baseball; officiated Div. I NCAA basketball for 15 years, Southern Conf.; officiated five natl. coll. championships in basketball; officiated in four foreign countries: Soviet Union, Poland, Austria & Germany; officiated Good-Will Game Trials in 1986; supvr. for the NCAA & NAIA; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Pharmacy Assn., 2000; Legislator of the Year by the Retired Teacher Assn., 2004; Legislator of the Year by the Police Benevolent Assn., 2004; Bd. mem., Small Bus. (Chamber of Commerce); Deacon, Boiling Springs First Baptist Church; prev. serv. in Sen. 1991–12.





SCOTT, John L., Jr. [D]—(Dist. No. 19, *Richland Co.*)—Owner/Broker-In-Charge, J. L. Scott Realty Co., Inc./Pres., C & S Consulting Group; residing at 215 Elmont Dr., Columbia; *b.* Oct. 21, 1953 in Richland Co.; *s.* John L., Sr. and Gracie W. Scott; *g.* S.C. State Univ., B.S., 1975; *m.* Joan Crouch, 1 child, John L. III; New Ebenezer Baptist Church, Church Clerk, 1980–95, Trustee Bd., 1980–05, Deacon, 2005–; mem.: Sen. Jud. Com.; Med. Affairs Com.; Corrections and Penology Com.; House of Reps. Dec. 4, 1990–08; prev. serv. in Sen. 2009–12.



SETZLER, Nikki Giles [D]—(Dist. No. 26, *Aiken-Calhoun-Lexington-Saluda Cos.*)—Atty.; residing at 249 Congaree Park Dr., West Columbia; *b.* Aug. 7, 1945 in Asheville, N.C.; *s.* Harry Earl and Verna Leona (Parker) Setzler; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1968, J.D., 1971; Aug. 16, 1969 *m.* Ada Jane Taylor, 4 children, Tara Nikole, Jamie Leona, Sabra Taylor, and Amber Jane; mem., Adv. Group for Southern Regional Educ. Bd.; Outstanding Leadership Award, Gov.'s School for the Arts, 1990; Legis. Award for South Carolinians with Disabilities by S.C. Vocational Rehabilitation Assn., 1991; Outstanding Senator for Continued Support of Public Educ., S.C. School Bds. Assn., 1991; Award for Support for Educ., Palmetto State Teachers Assn., 1991; Outstanding Leadership and Contributions to Educ. Award by S.C. Council of Elementary School Principals, 1990–91; Future Farmers of America Hon. Chap. Degree, 1992; Appreciation Award by Cola. Coll. Bd. of Visitors, 1988–92; School Health Serv. Award, 1992; Hon. Doctorate of Humane Letters, Univ. of Charleston, 1992; Legislator of the Year Award by Independent Colls. and Univs. of S.C., Inc., 1993; Commendation by S.C. Counseling Assn., 1994–95; Outstanding Serv. Award by S.C. Agric. Educ. Progs., 1994; Commendation by S.C. Council of Parents and Teachers, 1994; Richard W. Riley Award for Exceptional Leadership and Commitment by S.C. Consortium for Gifted Educ., 1995; Carl Perkins Humanitarian of the Year Award for S.C., 1995;

Legislator of the Year, S.C. Assn. of School Librarians, 1995; Hon. Doctorate of Educ., Cola. Coll., 1997; Public Servant of the Year by S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 1998; Award in Appreciation of Unrelenting Efforts on Behalf of the Parents and Young Children of S.C. by Dept. of Educ. Parenting/Family Literacy Initiatives, 1999; honored by Future Farmers of America, 1999; W. J. Castine Partner in Progress Award for Exemplary Serv. to S.C. Elementary and Middle Schools, 1999; Distinguished Serv. Award for Contributions to Higher Educ. and Student Fin. Assistance Progs., 1999; Award for Exceptional Leadership and Commitment to Tech. Educ., 1999; Award of Appreciation for support by S.C. FFA Assn., 2000; Award of Appreciation by Lexington Co. Peach Festival and Comm. of Gilbert, 2000; Commendation from Southern Regional Educ. Bd. for ten years of outstanding serv., 2000; Commendation from Lexington Co. School Dist. Four Bd. of Trustees for contributions to public educ., 2000; Hon. Amer. FFA Degree by Natl. FFA Organization, 2000; Friend of Reading Recovery Award for outstanding contributions, 2000; Outstanding Policy Leader from S.C. State Bd. of Educ., 2000; Award for Exemplary Serv. to Public Educ. by S.C. Assn. of Teacher Educators, 2001; Outstanding Serv. Award, S.C. Educ. Assn.—Retired, 2002; Friend of the Taxpayer Award, S.C. Assn. of Taxpayers, 2002; honored by the Amer. Inst. of Architects, S.C. Chap., 2004; Recognition by S.C. School Nurses, 2002; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Assn. of the Deaf, 2005; Outstanding Contributions to Public Educ., Gov.'s Workforce Educ. Task Force & Supt. of Educ., 2005; Hon. Doctorate of Laws, Univ. of S.C., 2008; West Metro Chamber of Commerce, Citizen of the Year, 2011; Future of Educ.'s Golden Apple Award, S.C. Chap. Natl. Coalition for Public School Options, 2011; Friend of Conservation Award, Lexington Soil and Water Conservation Dist., 2011; Greater Lexington Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center, The Chm.'s Award, 2012; Citizens for Sound Conservation Peas and Carrots Award, 2012; State Retirees Assn. of S.C., Legislator of the Year, 2012; prev. serv. in Sen. 1977–12.



SHEALY, Katrina Frye [R]—(Dist. No. 23, *Lexington Co.*)—VP of Production, Tower State Ins. Advisors, Columbia, S.C.; residing in Lexington; *b.* Dec. 25, 1954 in Columbia; *d.* Brooks Edward, Sr. and Bernice Bell Frye; *g.* Batesburg-Leesville High School, 1973, Professional Ins. Designations; Mar. 30, 1996 *m.* James Irby Shealy, 3 children, Erica Taylor Armstrong, Stephanie Michelle

Shealy, and Rhonda Shealy Williams; Bd. of Dirs., Lexington Co. Dept. of Social Servs., 2001–03; Bd. of Dirs., Girl Scouts of the Congaree, 2001–04; Audit Com., Girl Scouts of the Congaree, 2003; Co-Chair, Assessment Com., Girl Scouts of the Congaree, 2003; Leadership Lexington Co. graduate, 2003; Lexington Co. Sheriff's Citizens Academy graduate, 2003; Treas., Lexington Co. Rep. Party, 2005–07; Co-Chm., Lexington Co. Victory, 2006 & 2008; Chm., Friends of Juvenile Justice, 2011–12; Chm., Lexington Co. Rep. Party, 2007–08; Volunteer, Dept. of Juvenile Justice, 2007–; Pres., West Metro Rep. Women, 2008–10; Bd. of Dirs., Friends of Juvenile Justice, 2009–; VC, S.C. 2nd Congressional Dist.; mem., St. James Lutheran Church, Lexington; Evangelism Com., St. James Lutheran Church; Mutual Ministry Com., St. James Lutheran Church.



SHEHEEN, Vincent A. [D]—(Dist. No. 27, *Chesterfield-Kershaw-Lancaster Cos.*)—Atty.; *s.* Fred and Rose Sheheen; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.A., 1993; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1996; May 13, 1995 *m.* Amy Renee Uhl, 3 children, Austin, Joseph, and Anthony; Law Clerk, U.S. Dist. Judge Joseph F. Anderson, Jr., 1996–98; prosecutor for City of Camden, 2000; Adjunct Instructor,

Univ. of S.C. School of Law, 1998–01; House of Reps. 2001–04; prev. serv. in Sen. Feb. 3, 2004–12.

THURMOND, Paul [R]—(Dist. No. 41, *Charleston-Dorchester Cos.*)—Atty.; residing at James Island, Charleston; *b.* Jan. 9, 1976 in Greenwood; *s.* Strom and Nancy Moore Thurmond; *g.* Vanderbilt Univ., B.S., 1998; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 2002; Dec. 13, 2003 *m.* Katie England, 3 children, Thaddeus Connor, James Fletch, and Hollis England; Capt., Vanderbilt Univ. Varsity Tennis team; Asst. Solicitor, Ninth Judicial Circuit, 2002–05; partner, Thurmond Kirchner Timbes & Yelverton, P.A., 2005–; adjunct professor, Coll. of Charleston, 2005–06; Charleston Co. Council, 2006, VC, 2009; part-time prosecutor, City of North Charleston, 2010–; admitted to practice in S.C. and U.S. Dist. Courts, Dist. of S.C.; Rotarian at St. Andrews Rotary; 40 under 40, Charleston Regional Bus. Journal; mem., Ashley River Baptist Church.



TURNER, Clarence Ross III [R]—(Dist. No. 8, *Greenville Co.*)—Pres., The Turner Ag., Inc.; residing at 43 Charlbury St., Greenville; *b.* May 15, 1964 in Greenville; *s.* Clarence Ross, Jr. and Anne Summers Turner; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.S., 1986; Jan. 20, 1990 *m.* Julie Barker, 3 children, Clarence Ross “Clay” IV, Carey, and Ellis; Leadership Greenville Class of 33; former mem., Greenville Rotary Club; YMCA Camp Greenville Bd., past Pres. & former Bd. mem.; Greenville Clemson Club, past Pres. & Bd. mem.; Certified Ins. Counselor (CIC), 1994–; Greenville’s Best and Brightest Under 35, 1997; Upstate Citizens Com. for Judicial Qualifications, 2000–12; Independent Ins. Agents & Brokers of S.C. Bd., 2004–08; Exec. Bd. mem., Beck Academy PTA, 2005–07; Pres., James L. Mann High School Booster Club, 2010–11; former mem., Bd. of Trustees and Youth Ministry Bd. Chm., 2012; Buncombe Street United Methodist Church.





VERDIN, Daniel Byron III [R]—(Dist. No. 9, Greenville-*Laurens* Cos.)—Owner, Verdin's Farm & Garden Center; residing in Laurens; *b.* May 9, 1964 at England Air Force Base in Alexandria, La.; *s.* Daniel B. Verdin, Jr. and Eloise Watts Verdin; *g.* Bob Jones Univ., B.A., 1986; Sept. 26, 1987 *m.* Kimberlee Diane Owens, 4 children, Annemarie, Daniel, Whitson, and Caroline;

Agric. & Natural Resources Advisor, Gov.'s Off., 1987–89; Chm., Agric. & Natural Resources Com., 2007–; Majority Whip for Sen. Rep. Caucus, 2009–; Div. Comdr. Sons of Confederate Veterans, 1998–11; Laurens Co. Cattlemen's Assn.; Hickory Tavern Young Farmers, Mountville Grange; Joanna Lions Club; 2006 Friend of SCAV, S.C. Assn. of Veterinarians; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Farm Bureau, 2006; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Veterinarians Assn., 2007; Legislator of the Year, Palmetto Cycling Coalition, 2008; Sen. Legis. Champion, Palmetto Family Council, 2007–08; S.C. Quality of Life Award, S.C. Realtors Assn., 2008; Friend of the Taxpayer Award, 2008, S.C. Taxpayers Assn.; Hon. State FFA Degree, 2009; John W. Parris Agricultural Leadership Award, 2009, by the S.C. Agricultural Educators Assn.; 2009 Advocate of the Year, S.C. Advocates for Agric.; Hon. Chair for the 2009 State 4-H Congress; 2009 Legislator of the Year, S.C. Poultry Fed.; 2010 Bus. Advocate Award, S.C. Chamber of Commerce; 2010 Senator of the Year, S.C. Human Serv. Providers; mem., Historical Pendleton Farmers Soc.; 2010 Hon. Amer. FFA Degree; 2012 BIPEC Sword and Mace Award; 2012 Bus. Advocate Award, S.C. Chamber; Old 96 Dist. Comm.'s 2012 Legislator of the Year; 2013 Bus. Advocate Award, S.C. Chamber of Commerce; mem., Faith Free Presbyterian Church; prev. serv. in Sen. 2001–12.



WILLIAMS, Kent M. [D]—(Dist. No. 30, Dillon-Florence-Horry-*Marion*-Marlboro Cos.)—Dep. Co. Admin.; residing at 4205 Stirk Place, Marion; *b.* Sept. 15, 1960 in Marion; *s.* James and Thelma Howard Williams; *g.* Florence Darlington Tech. Coll., A.S., 1981; S.C. State Univ., B.S., 1987; single; Independence Fed. Savings and Loan

Bank, Washington, D.C., 1985–86; S.C. State Univ., 1986–90; Clemson Extension Serv., 1990–99; Chm., Marion Co. Bd. of Educ., 1998–04; Marion Co. March of Dimes, Co-Chm., 2003; Gov. Carroll Campbell appointee to S.C. State Agricultural Comm.; Twelfth Judicial Circuit Youth Council Bd.; Marion Co. Duke Endowment Bd.; Rural Comm. Dev. Bd.; Treas. & Dir., Marion Dist. A.M.E. Church Boy Scouts; Pee Dee Adv. Bd., Wachovia Bank; mem., S.C. Gov.'s State Workforce Investment Bd.; mem. & steward, St. James A.M.E. Church; prev. serv. in Sen. 2005–12.

YOUNG, Tom, Jr. [R]—(Dist. No. 24, Aiken Co.)—Atty.; residing in Aiken; b. Oct. 8, 1971 in Aiken; s. Thomas R., Sr. and Delly O. Young; g. Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1993, J.D., 1996; Aug. 4, 2001 m. Heather Winkles, 2 children, Hailey Elizabeth and Ashley Caroline; mem., Kappa Sigma Frat.; Univ. of S.C. Student Body Pres., 1992–93; Univ. of S.C. Carolina Scholar, 1989; Phi Beta Kappa; Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, 1993; Order of Wig and Robe, Univ. of S.C., 1996; 2009 Univ. of S.C. Law Alumni Silver Compleat Lawyer Award; mem., St. John's United Methodist Church; House of Reps. 2009–12.

